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TITLE: METHOD, SYSTEM, AND PROGRAM FOR MAINTAINING  
INFORMATION IN DATABASE TABLES AND PERFORMING  
OPERATIONS ON DATA IN THE DATABASE TABLES.

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**AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2.

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